

**ACT OF INCORPORATION**

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**BY-LAWS**

OF THE

*Mass.*

**SALEM DISPENSARY,**

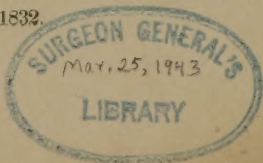
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### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY-ONE.

## **An Act to Incorporate the Salem Dispensary.**

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same,* That Joseph Peabody, Benjamin Pickman, Daniel A. White, John Brazer, William Dean, Abel L. Peirson, Joseph Beadle, John Stone, Robert Brookhouse, George Peabody, Henry Whipple, and Charles Lawrence, with their associates and successors, be and they are hereby made a Corporation by the name of the SALEM DISPENSARY, for the purpose of affording medical advice and relief to the sick poor of the town of Salem, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, appear, prosecute, and defend to final judgment and execution, and may have a Common Seal, and may elect such officers, and make and establish such by-laws and regulations, as they may deem necessary or expedient for the management of their affairs: *Provided*, that such by-laws shall not be repugnant to the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the Corporation hereby established, may take and hold for the purpose aforesaid, any real or personal estate, the annual income

of which shall not exceed the sum of three thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That either of the persons named in the first section of this act, be and is hereby authorized to call the first meeting of the Corporation, by giving notice thereof in one or more of the newspapers printed in the town of Salem, at least seven days before the time of holding such meeting.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That this act may be amended or repealed at the pleasure of the Legislature.

*In House of Representatives, February 3, 1831.*

Passed to be enacted.

WM. B. CALHOUN, *Speaker.*

*In Senate, February 2, 1831.*

Passed to be enacted.

SAMUEL LATHROP, *President.*

*Feb. 3, 1831.—Approved.*

LEVI LINCOLN.

A true copy of the original Act.

Att. EDWARD D. BANGS, *Sec'y of Commonwealth.*

# **Rules of the Salem Dispensary.**

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## **ARTICLE I.**

The object of the Institution is to afford medical advice and relief to the sick poor of Salem.

## **ARTICLE II.**

Every person who contributes a sum not less than one dollar per annum, shall be considered a member of the Corporation.

## **ARTICLE III.**

The management of the concerns of the Institution shall be entrusted to the President, and a board of not less than six Managers, of whom the Secretary shall always be one. The Managers shall appoint the Physicians and Apothecaries of the Dispensary, and shall have authority to collect the subscriptions, and to settle all demands against the Dispensary.

## **ARTICLE IV.**

The annual meeting of the Contributors shall be held on the first Thursday in January, when a President, Managers, and Secretary, who shall also be Treasurer, shall be elected.

## **ARTICLE V.**

The Treasurer shall keep an account of the receipt and expenditure of all monies, subject to the order and inspection of the Managers, and shall report the same to the Contributors at their annual meeting. He shall also give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties, whenever required by the Managers.



## ARTICLE VI.

Each annual contributor of one dollar and upwards, is entitled to recommend to the benefit of the charity, any person applying to him for assistance, who may be unable from poverty to purchase necessary medicines, or pay for medical advice. And every such applicant, on presenting to the Apothecary of the District in which he resides, a contributor's order, shall be entitled to receive gratuitously, such medicine as may be prescribed for the applicant by the Physician of the Dispensary for that District. And the order of the contributor thus granted, shall be in force until the end of the year in which it is granted, and no longer.

## ARTICLE VII.

The Managers shall have power to discharge any beneficiary of the Dispensary who shall be judged an improper person to receive the benefit of the institution, or the expense of whose medicine they may deem beyond the ability of the institution to defray, consistently with a proper distribution of its charity.

## ARTICLE VIII.

It shall be required of the Physicians to make a quarterly report, to be left with the Secretary, of cases treated by them during the preceding three months, in which shall be noted the name of the patient, the residence, the age, the disease, the result of the treatment, whether the person has been vaccinated or not, and the name of the contributor recommending him. And he shall also be expected to add to the report any remarks on individual cases which may enable the Managers to promote the better regulation of the Dispensary, or to expose fraud and imposition.



## ARTICLE IX.

It shall be the duty of the Physician to enforce the importance of Vaccination in the families in which he visits, and to perform it, whenever practicable, upon those who have never become protected from the contagion of Small Pox.

## ARTICLE X.

Each Apothecary of the Dispensary shall keep a list of all persons recommended to the charity within his District, with the names of the contributors recommending them, and shall present the same to the Managers when required.

## ARTICLE XI.

The Managers shall hold quarterly meetings for the transaction of business, on the first Thursday of January, April, July and October.

## ARTICLE XII.

The President, or any three of the Managers, shall have power to call meetings for the transaction of business.

## ***Subscribers to the Permanent Fund.***

Joseph Peabody	\$200	Benjamin Merrill	\$10
Benjamin Pickman	40	Louisa Peabody	40
Dudley L. Pickman	40	Catharine Andrew	10
Gideon Tucker	10	John F. Andrew	5
Francis Choate	2	Stephen C. Phillips	30
Robert Brookhouse	5	Pickering Dodge	40
John W. Treadwell	5	Humphrey Devereux	20
Anstis Stone	5	Thomas Downing, jun.	5
E. & H. Hodges	15	T. P. Pingree	5
L. Rawlins Pickman	10	Gideon Barstow	15
Susan Burley	40	Samuel Putnam	10
S. F. Orne	25	Nath'l Silsbee	30
H. Hodges	5	William Dean	10
Amos Choate	10	William F. Gardner	7
Nathan Robinson	10	B. W. Crowninshield	40
Frederick Howes	10	S. R. Putnam	15
R. Cabot	15	George Peabody	15
William Pickman	30	Stephen Phillips	20
David Pingree	20	William Silsbee	10
David A. Neal	3	Leverett Saltonstall	10
James King	5	William Micklefield	8
Caroline Plummer	10		
D. A. White	30		<hr/> \$900

## *Annual Subscribers.*

John F. Andrew  
Catharine Andrew  
Joseph Adams

Lott Alden  
Nathaniel Appleton  
Samuel H. Archer

Gideon Barstow  
Susan Burley  
Robert Brookhouse  
Cornelius Baker  
William Brown, jun.  
John Brooks  
Joel Bowker  
Ebenezer Bancroft  
John Brazier

Nehemiah Brown  
Daniel Bray  
John Burley  
Samuel Briggs  
Joseph Beadle  
Rufus Babcock, jr.  
Benjamin F. Browne  
Benjamin Balch  
Thomas P. Bancroft

Amos Choate  
John P. Cleaveland  
Rufus Choate  
Francis Choate  
Benjamin Cheever, jun.  
Isaac Cushing  
James Chamberlain  
John Chapman

Benjamin Cox  
Robert Cogswell  
George Choate  
Samuel Colby  
C. C. Clarke  
R. Cabot  
David Cummins

Pickering Dodge  
Ebenezer Dodge  
Stephen Driver, 3d  
Thorndike Deland  
William Dean

John Daland  
Humphrey Devereux  
Thomas Downing, jun.  
Pyam Dodge  
Joseph Dalton

Samuel Emery  
Brown Emerson

Ephraim Emerton  
Charles M. Endicott

John Forrester  
Thomas Farless  
Jed Frye  
P. I. Farnham

John Frost  
Caleb Foote  
William Fettyplace  
Nathaniel Frothingham

W. P. Goodhue  
William F. Gardner  
Nancy Gay

Henry Grant  
John Goodhue, jun.

Hannah Hodges  
Elizabeth Hodges  
Hannah Hodges  
Frederick Howes  
John Howard, jun.  
Andrew Harraden

Temple Hardy  
William E. Hacker  
Oliver Hubbard  
E. A. Holyoke  
Joseph Hodges, jun.

John M. Ives

John A. Innis

D. H. Johnson  
Samuel Johnson

John Jamison

Abraham Kimball  
John Glen King  
James King

Henry King  
Nathaniel Kinsman  
Jonathan Kenney

John C. Lee  
Joseph S. Leavitt  
Ambrose S. Lovis

Abel Lawrence  
Charles Lawrence  
Asa Lamson

Benjamin Merrill  
Charles McBurney  
David Moore  
Daniel Millet  
William Micklefield

John Moriarty  
Robert Manning  
Thomas Moriarty  
James Miller

William H. Neal

David A. Neal

S. F. Orne  
Henry K. Oliver  
Elisha Odlin

John B. Osgood  
William Osborn

Joseph Peabody  
Benjamin Pickman  
William Pickman  
Dudley L. Pickman  
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Stephen C. Phillips  
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David Pingree  
James Perkins  
E. H. Payson

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E. Pope  
A. L. Peirson  
Willard Peele  
Warwick Palfray, jun.  
George Peabody  
H. P. Putnam  
Francis Peabody  
T. P. Pingree  
Stephen Phillips  
Charles Parker

Nathan Robinson  
Richard S. Rogers  
Archelaus Rea  
N. L. Rogers  
Daniel Ringe

Ann M. Rust  
Samuel Rea  
W. A. Rea  
John W. Rogers

Nathaniel Silsbee  
 Michael Shepard  
 John Stone  
 Nathaniel Saltonstall  
 Ebenezer Shillaber  
 Robert Stone  
 W. Sargent  
 William Stevens

T. W. Sweetser  
 William Silsbee  
 Z. F. Silsbee  
 Anstis Stone  
 Nathaniel Stoddard  
 E. Seccomb  
 Joseph G. Sprague  
 Leverett Saltonstall

Gideon Tucker  
 John W. Treadwell  
 J. P. Thorndike

Ichabod Tucker  
 Benjamin Tucker

Robert Upton  
 Charles W. Upham

Joshua Upham

John C. Very

D. A. White  
 George Wheatland  
 Stephen P. Webb  
 Andrew Ward  
 George West  
 William Williams  
 William Webb, jun.  
 Henry Whipple  
 Peter E. Webster

Stephen Webb  
 Jonathan Webb  
 Michael Webb  
 Benjamin Webb  
 Samuel Webb, jun.  
 Asa Wiggin  
 Thomas Whittredge  
 Israel Ward, jun.





